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IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFTELS, KLEIN DELIVERED
FOLLOWING INTERPRETIVE STATEMENT SETTING FORTH US VIEWS
ON FINAL DECLARATION.

MADAME PRESIDENT,

MAY DELEGATION IS PLEASED TO HAVE JOINED IN THE
ADOPTION OF THE FINAL DECLARATION OF THIS CONFERENCE.
WE BELIEVE THAT, BY REACHING AGREEMENT ON THE CONFERENCE
DECLARATION--WHICH IS THE CULMINATION OF OUR EFFORTS OVER THE LAST
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FOUR WEEKS--WE HAVE TAKEN AN IMPORTANT STEP FORWARD.

THE DECLARATION IS A REALISTIC DOCUMENT, CONTAINING RECOMMENDATION
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FOR IMPROVING THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE TREATY'S OPERATION AND

MOST IMPORTANT, OF THE NON-PROLIFERATION REGIME GENERALLY. SOME IDEAS, INCLUDING THOSE RELATING TO INTERNATIONAL CO-OPERATION ON PHYSICAL SECURITY, TO IMPROVEMENTS OF SAFEGUARDS ON EXPORTS, AND TO REGIONAL SOLUTIONS TO FUEL CYCLE NEEDS, ARE INNOVATIVE, AND ARE RECEIVING BROAD INTERNATIONAL ENDORSEMENT FOR THE FIRST TIME. IN ADDITION, THE CONFERENCE DECLARATION STRONGLY UNDERLINES THE NEED FOR DETERMINED AND TIMELY EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE WIDELY-SHARED OBJECTIVES. TAKEN AS A WHOLE, THE FINAL DECLARATION ESTABLISHES A PRACTICAL AND COMPREHENSIVE COURSE OF ACTION FOR STRENGTHENING THE NON-PROLIFERATION REGIME. IT SHOWS CLEARLY THAT WE ALL HAVE A SHARED AND OVERRIDING INTEREST IN THE SUCCESS OF EFFORTS TO CURB NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION, WHICH IS A CONTINUING AND COMPLICATED PROCESS.

WE RECOGNIZE THAT NO DELEGATION CAN GIVE UNQUALIFIED SUPPORT TO EACH OF THE CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN THE DECLARATION. SOME MAY HAVE RESERVATIONS ABOUT PARTICULAR IDEAS EXPRESSED IN THE DOCUMENT; OTHERS MAY REGRET THAT SOME OF THEIR SUGGESTIONS WERE NOT INCLUDED, OR WERE GIVEN LESS EMPHASIS THAN THEY WOULD HAVE PREFERRED. THIS IS AS TRUE OF OUR DELEGATION AS IT IS OF OTHERS.

MADAME PRESIDENT, I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO BRIEFLY STATE FOR THE RECORD THE VIEWS OF MY GOVERNMENT ON SOME OF THE ISSUES COVERED IN THE FINAL DECLARATION. FIRST, I WOULD LIKE TO REITERATE THAT WE LOOK FORWARD, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AFTER THE CONCLUSION OF THE AGREEMENT OUTLINED AT VALDIVOSTOK, TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF FOLLOW-ON NEGOTIATIONS ON FURTHER LIMITATIONS AND REDUCTIONS IN THE LEVEL OF STRATEGIC ARMS.

SECOND, WITH RESPECT TO THE QUESTION OF RESTRAINTS ON NUCLEAR TESTING, MY GOVERNMENT JOINS IN AFFIRMING THE DETERMINATION OF PARTICIPANTS OF THIS CONFERENCE TO ACHIEVE THE DISCONTINUANCE OF ALL EXPLOSIONS OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS FOR ALL TIME. THE FINAL DECLARATION NOTES THAT A NUMBER OF DELEGATIONS AT THE CONFERENCE EXPRESSED THE DESIRE THAT THE UNCLASSIFIED

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NUCLEAR WEAPON STATES PARTIES ENTER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE INTO AN AGREEMENT TO HALT ALL NUCLEAR WEAPON TESTS FOR A SPECIFIED PERIOD OF TIME. OUR VIEW IS THAT ANY TREATY OR AGREEMENT ON NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTING MUST CONTAIN PROVISIONS FOR ADEQUATE VERIFICATION AND MUST SOLVE THE PROBLEM OF PEACEFUL NUCLEAR EXPLOSIONS. IT WOULD NOT BE REALISTIC TO ASSUME THAT AN AGREEMENT BANNING ALL NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTING, WHETHER BY NUCLEAR WEAPON STATES PARTY TO THE NPT OR BY ALL TESTING POWERS, COULD BE CONCLUDED BEFORE SOLUTIONS TO THESE PROBLEMS ARE FOUND.

WITH RESPECT TO NUCLEAR-FREE ZONES, WE BELIEVE THAT THE CREATION OF SUCH ZONES COULD EFFECTIVELY COMPLEMENT THE NPT AS A MEANS OF PREVENTING THE SPREAD OF NUCLEAR

EXPLOSIVE CAPABILITIES. WE HAVE EMPHASIZED THAT, TO BE EFFECTIVE, REGIONAL ARRANGEMENTS SHOULD MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

THE INITIATIVE SHOULD BE TAKEN BY THE STATES IN THE REGION CONCERNED. THE ZONE SHOULD PREFERABLY INCLUDE ALL STATES IN THE AREA WHOSE PARTICIPATION IS DEEMED IMPORTANT. THE CREATION OF THE ZONE SHOULD NOT DISTURB NECESSARY SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS; AND PROVISION MUST BE MADE FOR ADEQUATE VERIFICATION. FINALLY, WE DO NOT BELIEVE THAT THE OBJECTIVE OF NON-PROLIFERATION WOULD BE SERVED IF A NUCLEAR FREE ZONE ARRANGEMENT PERMITTED THE INDIGENOUS DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR

EXPLOSIVES FOR ANY PURPOSE. NO EFFORT TO ACHIEVE NON-PROLIFERATION COULD SUCCEED IF IT PERMITTED SUCH INDIGENOUS DEVELOPMENT OF NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVES BY NON-NUCLEAR WEAPON STATES, OR FAILED TO SAFEGUARD AGAINST DIVERSION OF NUCLEAR MATERIALS TO SUCH USE.

A NUMBER OF DELEGATIONS AT THE CONFERENCE URGED THAT NUCLEAR-WEAPON STATES PROVIDE, IN AN APPROPRIATE MANNER, BINDING SECURITY ASSURANCES TO THOSE STATES WHICH BECAME FULLY BOUND BY THE PROVISIONS OF A REGIONAL ARRANGEMENT. MY GOVERNMENT ADHERED TO PROTOCOL II OF THE LATINAMERICAN NUCLEAR FREE ZONE TREATY, WHICH CONTAINS SUCH A BINDING SECURITY ASSURANCE, AFTER DETERMINING THAT THAT TREATY MET THE CRITERIA NOTED ABOVE. HOWEVER, WE BELIEVE THAT EACH NUCLEAR FREE ZONE PROPOSAL MUST BE JUDGED ON ITS OWN MERITS TO DETERMINE WHETHER THE PROVISION OF SPECIFIC SECURITY ASSURANCES WOULD BE LIKELY TO HAVE A FAVORABLE UNCLASSIFIED

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EFFECT. MOREOVER, WE DO NOT BELIEVE IT WOULD BE REALISTIC TO EXPECT NUCLEAR WEAPON STATES TO MAKE IMPLIED COMMITMENTS TO PROVIDE SUCH ASSURANCES BEFORE THE SCOPE AND CONTENT OF ANY NUCLEAR FREE ZONE ARRANGEMENT ARE WORKED OUT.

MADAME PRESIDENT, A FEW WEEKS AGO WHEN A JAPANESE WOMAN SCALED MOUNT EVEREST, WE THOUGHT THAT WOULD BE THE HIGH POINT OF THIS INTERNATIONAL WOMAN'S YEAR. BUT THE FACT IS, THOSE OF US PRIVILEGED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE HAVE WITNESSED A MORE MOMENTOUS EVENT AS WE WATCHED YOU SCALE EVEN GREATER HEIGHT. YOUR DEFT, IMAGINATIVE, SOPHISTICATED AND EFFECTIVE LEADERSHIP WAS THE INDISPENSIBLE ELEMENT OF THIS CONFERENCE. IN CONGRATULATING YOU ON YOUR GREAT SERVICE TO THE CAUSE OF NON-PROLIFERATION, WE WOULD LIKE ALSO TO EXPRESS OUR GRATITUDE TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL, AMBASSADOR PASTINE, THE SECRETARIAT, THE COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN AND VICE-CHAIRMEN, AND ALL OTHERS WHO HELPED US.

MADAME PRESIDENT, I ASK THAT THIS WRITTEN STATEMENT BE INCORPORATED IN ANNEX II OF THE FINAL DOCUMENT.

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